

"You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns, You shall not crucify mankind upon this cross of gold."—W. J. Bryan.

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The Days of Reckoning.

Mr. McKinley may be compelled to abandon that investigation of the war by a commission, owing to his inability to get men of prominence to serve thereon. John Sherman, who was kicked out of the Cabinet because it was alleged that his wife had gone wool-gathering, punctured this commission scheme when he called attention to the fact that it could not compel witnesses to testify. That is a fatal defect. The Commission can only take voluntary testimony, and every school boy knows that military officers are not likely to volunteer to give testimony that will reflect upon their superiors. Mr. McKinley may succeed in forming his commission, and it may go through the form of making an investigation, but there will be no real investigation until it is made by a Congressional Committee cloaked with all the authority of a court of law. Then the facts and the rascals will become known.

The Peace Commissioners have had their powwow with Mr. McKinley, received their instructions, and departed for Paris, via New York. It would be easy to follow the majority of the Washington correspondents, and give what purported to be the substance of those instructions, but as the instructions have never been put upon paper and are absolutely unknown outside of the administration and of the Peace Commission, they can be guessed at by one man about as good as by another. So each of your readers may do his own guessing.

This administration has made a specialty of handling seats in the U. S. Senate as though they were petty Federal appointments. The scheme to send Senator McMillan, of Mich., to England as American Ambassador in order that Secretary Alger might step into his seat in the Senate has had to be abandoned, owing to the unpopularity of Alger since the public has known of his culpable mismanagement of the War Department, but it was at once succeeded by a new one, which only needs the consent of Senator Hoar, which has been once refused, to go through. This scheme is to send Hoar to London as Ambassador, put Secretary Long in his seat in the Senate, and make Assistant Secretary Allen, Long's successor in the Cabinet. Pressure is now being used to bring about acquiescence on the part of Senator Hoar, but his success is by no means sure. Hoar doesn't wish to leave the Senate, of which he regards himself as one of the principal owners, and it is doubtful whether he can be forced to do so, as John Sherman was. The scheme does not commend itself to republicans from other states, as Massachusetts already has one Ambassador.

The use of the power of the War Department to prevent a parade of troops in New York City, which Gen. Miles was for some reason anxious to have take place, and which he had positively said would take place, was in itself an insignificant matter, but it shows the bad feeling existing between Miles and the Department, and the intention of the department to humiliate Miles whenever possible to do so.

According to stories which have reached Washington, there is more trouble among the Maine republicans than that caused by the falling off in their vote. There has been opposition to Senator Hale in the party ranks for a long time, and his marked friendliness for Spain, just previous to the war, increased it to formidable proportions. Czar Reed has encouraged this opposition as much as he could without openly participating therein, although he has repeatedly said that he would not accept a seat in the Senate himself; but the statement that "Joe" Manley would be a candidate for Hale's seat may result in making Reed help Hale to get re-elected, as he would rather see the devil in the Senate than "Joe" Manley.

There isn't the slightest doubt that the republicans are becoming alarmed over the prospect of the capture of the House by the democrats. Chairman Babcock and Secretary Ouerstreet, of the Republican Congressional Committee, have both made visits east within a week, one to Boston and the other to New York, and there are reasons to believe that both of them went after the same thing—money to be used in the campaign. That the

sentiment of the country is now with the democrats is what all the correspondents of the Democratic Congressional Committee say, and all the callers at committee headquarters tell the same story. Unless there is a great change before election there is every reason to expect that sufficient democratic gains will be made in the following states to give the party control of the House by a good working majority: Kentucky, Va., N. C., W. Va., N. Y., N. J., O., Ill., Wis., Mass., and Conn. One democrat, after sizing up the situation said: "The only thing I fear is that the situation may change again before election. But I don't see how it can."

A Disastrous Lesson.

Two short years ago one of the planks of the National Democratic platform read as follows: "The absorption of wealth by the few, the consolidation of our leading railroad systems and the promotion of trusts and pools require a stricter control by the Federal Government of those arteries of commerce. To demand the enlargement of the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and such restrictions and guarantees in the control of railroads as will protect the public from robbery and oppression."

When these words were penned, the country was at peace with all the world. The railroads were not called on to engage in the traffic that war brings. Even the far-seeing patriots whose words were meant as a warning against the insidious encroachments upon the rights of the people by the great railway interests of the country had no prophetic vision of the horrors of Camp Alger, Camp Wikoff, and Camp Thomas, and the part the railways were to play in these great tragedies.

But they builded better than they knew. Whatever the proposed investigation of the conduct of the war may show—whether the facts may be glossed over by influences partial to the railway interests, or spread out in all their hideous proportions for inspection and condemnation of the public,—in either case the conclusion is inevitable that even with partial government control of the railroads the horrors that have shocked the people's sensibilities during the last two months could not have taken place. The public has had a most disastrous lesson. It needs the practice of good Democratic doctrine to make the lesson profitable.

That Non-Partisan Board.

President McKinley deliberately ignored the regular Democracy in appointing the members of the Peace Commission. The occasion was one where both policy and patriotism dictated that the party should have been recognized by the appointment of two representative Democrats.

In selecting the members of the Industrial Commission, he has exhibited the same narrow partisanship. Of the nine appointees, eight are known to be strong Republicans. Ratcliff of Indiana is variously rated as an Independent and a Republican.

However this may be, appearances indicate that President McKinley took pains to pick out for his "non-partisan" Industrial Commission nine men, each one of whom is known to have no sympathy with Democratic principles.

The charge has been made that the Commission was legislated into being for the purpose of proving good places for Republican politicians out of office. The appointment of a real non-partisan Commission might have proven the charge false. As it is, President McKinley has done his best to prove the charge true. He had an opportunity to do his country a service, and his party also in the best sense of the word. He failed to take advantage of it.

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Court Docket.

For the September Term of Court. The Disposition of Cases.

Among the indictments returned by the Grand Jury are the following set down on the docket and the prisoners arranged.

Case No. 1198.—State of Ohio vs Geo. Tittle of Ward tp, grand larceny. Arranged Saturday, entered plea of not guilty. Trial set for Sept. 26. Bond \$500, which as yet he has been unable to furnish. E. O. Pettit for state, Weldy & Buerhaus for defendant.

Case No. 1199.—State of Ohio vs Enos Moore, Logan, assault and battery. Entered plea of guilty. Fined \$5.00 and costs and stand committed to the Columbus Work House until fine and costs are paid. Fine and costs paid.

Case No. 1200.—State of Ohio vs Samuel Harris of Ward tp. Embezzlement and grand larceny, six counts. Entered plea of not guilty to each count. Trial set for Sept. 27. Bond \$500. Harris was Secretary of a lodge of the United Mine Workers and appropriated monies belonging to the lodge. E. O. Pettit attorney for state, Weldy & Buerhaus for defendant.

Case No. 1205.—State of Ohio vs Servilla Hickman, assault and battery. Not yet arraigned.

Case No. 1207.—State of Ohio vs Culver Baker, petit larceny. Baker stole a razor from the barber Ramsey but claimed it was done in a joke, but which proved quite a costly one to him as noted by the sentence given below as imposed by the court. Saturday he was arraigned and entered plea of not guilty but on Monday changed his plea to guilty and was given 30 days in the Work House and fined \$25 and costs and to stand committed to the Work House until fine and costs are all paid. The white robes of winter will have clothed mother earth before Culver will be returned to us.

Case No. 1210.—State of Ohio vs George Collins of Union Furnace, indecent exposure of person, plea of not guilty to both counts. Trial set for Sept. 20. Bond \$500. Col-

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IN SOCIETY.

An event of interest to many of our citizens occurred at Lancaster recently, in the marriage of Prof. T. M. Dollison, the well-known musical instructor, and Miss Winifred M. Workman, of Pleasantville. After a tour embracing several large eastern cities, Mr. and Mrs. Dollison arrived at this place on Friday last and took up their residence in a suite of apartments in the C. C. Chappelle residence. Mrs. Dollison is a fine musician, being an accomplished performer upon both the piano mandolin, and her attainments added to those already well established by Mr. Dollison, will render the young couple a valuable addition to musical circles, as they will also doubtless prove to be to the social life of the community.—New Lexington Tribune.—Mr. Dollison is a cousin of the associate editor of this journal.

Miss Mary Taggart of Omaha is spending a few days with her school friend Miss Grace Winter of East Main street. Miss Taggart who graduated at St. Mary's in Columbus visited Miss Winter two years ago and won many friends by her charming personality. She is a musician of remarkable ability possessing a voice of rare sweetness and power. Miss Taggart is at present organist of St. John's Catholic church at Logan, and is engaged in training the choir.—Lancaster Gazette, Sept. 16.

Invitations are out for the Initiatory Ball of the season of 1898-99 for the evening of Sept. 28. The committee on invitation are: Messrs F. Blasius, Will Strentz, John Wellman, Ben McManigal, Fred Friesner and Bert Stedem.

Mrs. Pollard and children and Mrs. Bowers and daughter of Montpelier, Vt., who have been the pleasant guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ferdie Rempel return to their home today.

The Jackson Herald says: Miss Sue McBride of Logan is the charming guest of Mrs. Dan Coll and Miss Marie Basquill. She returns to her home Tuesday.

Chas Rose entertained informally a few of his gentlemen friends Monday evening at whilst at his home on West Main street.

Miss Jennie Ryan of Athens well known in this city who has been visiting relatives up in the state of Maine has returned home.

Mr. H. C. Crowe of Halifax, N. S., was a social visitor in Logan the fore part of the week the guest of Miss Charlotte Work.

Mr. and Mrs. Will White is entertaining during the reunion Capt. and Miss Helen Keller and Mrs. Rigby of Lancaster.

"Mine Host" H. F. Ambrose of the Hotel Rempel entertained at supper last Wednesday a party of lady and gentlemen cyclists from Pittsburg. There were six in the party who are enjoying mode of travel for exercise and recreation.

Mr. Wm. McBroom, Mrs. Bert Roby and daughter, Mrs. Dr. Williams and Mrs. Freeland Hood all of Holton, Kan. and former residents of this county from the vicinity of Gibsonville are taking advantage of the low G. A. R. rates given by the western roads and are visiting relatives and friends in this county.

This is an age when the laborer seeks recreation, the business man needs a tonic to ease his mind from the cares of his business and the busy house wife as well and we can suggest no better remedy to all than to go and see Fields and Hanson's Minstrels at Rempel's Opera House next Monday evening Sept. 26th.

Editor C. E. Peoples of the Pomeroy Democrat was a visitor to Logan Saturday. Mr. Peoples was a passenger on the train which collided with a freight on the C. & M. V. in the Lancaster yards Friday evening and reports a bad shaking up but no bones broken. He informed a DEMOCRAT man that he wants to be in no more wrecks.

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